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### Faculty and Staff Recognition Dinner, 2017

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## PROGRAM

PRE-DINNER MUSIC ..... The Elijah Beaudine Quartet  
Elijah Beaudine '17, Forrest Miller '18, Sampson Perrine '20, Spencer Walton '17

WELCOME ..... Michelle Behr, chancellor

### RECOGNITION OF RETIREES

Kevin Flicker, ceramics teaching specialist  
Rose Murphy, associate administrator, summer session and Center  
for Small Towns  
Carla Riley, senior director of external relations  
Mick Rose, general maintenance, fleet operations, and recycling supervisor  
Ronald Rosen, senior electronic technician  
Elizabeth Spohr, theatre costumer/publicist  
Robert Thompson, facilities management project manager

### WELCOME FROM UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, MORRIS

RETIREEES ASSOCIATION (UMMRA) .....Andy Lopez, UMMRA webmaster

### PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

#### UMM Faculty Distinguished Research Award

Pieranna Garavaso, professor of philosophy, Division of the Humanities

#### Horace T. Morse–Minnesota Alumni Association Award for Outstanding Contributions to Undergraduate Education

Becca Gercken, associate professor of English and  
American Indian studies, Division of the Humanities

#### UMM Alumni Association Teaching Award

Rebecca Dean, associate professor of anthropology,  
Division of the Social Sciences

#### Morris Academic Staff Award

Kevin Flicker, ceramics teaching specialist, Division of the Humanities

#### Bill and Ida Stewart Award for Ethnic Diversity, Staff Recipient

Mohammed Farah, student personnel coordinator, Office of Equity,  
Diversity and Intercultural Programs

#### Mary Martelle Memorial Award

Lynn Johnson, building and grounds worker, Facilities Management

#### Outstanding Support Staff Awards

**AFSCME Recipient**—Sandy Kopel, executive office and administrative  
specialist, Campus Police

**Civil Service Recipient**—Rita Bolluyt, grants/contracts professional 2,  
Grants Development

**Teamster Recipient**—Philip Hengemuhle, building and grounds worker,  
Residential Life

CLOSING ..... Michelle Behr, chancellor

Special thanks to the late John Stuart Ingle, professor of studio art,  
for granting permission to reproduce a transparency of his painting,  
*Still Life with Overland Flyer*, for use as a special retirement gift.

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## FACULTY AND STAFF RECOGNITION DINNER

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2017

STUDENT CENTER

OYATE HALL

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA MORRIS

# HONORED RETIREES 2017

**Kevin Flicker**, ceramics teaching specialist, has served the Studio Art Discipline for 31 years. Flicker is proud to have played a role in the construction of the wood-fired kiln from primarily donated and recycled materials and to have seen former students go on to be accomplished professional potters and ceramics teachers; he also is proud of the recent *Judy and Kevin Flicker: Retrospective* exhibition in the Edward J. and Helen Jane Morrison Gallery. Flicker will miss “the thrill of discovery when unloading the kilns.” He plans to spend retirement traveling and camping with his wife, Judy, and enjoying the company of his five young grandsons.

**Rose Murphy**, associate administrator, has served the Morris campus for 41 years. Murphy is proud to have been part of the many successful Continuing Education programs developed for Morris students and area communities and to have graduated from Morris with high distinction. She retired in September and misses “getting to know and work with the great staff and faculty across the campus” and “working with and proctoring the amazing and fun students.” Murphy is spending her retirement serving as a grief care coordinator in addition to “doing whatever she wants,” including taking time for “a bit of traveling and adventuring.”

**Carla Riley**, senior director of external relations, has enjoyed a 13-year career at Morris, first as an associate development officer, then as director of alumni relations and annual giving and, later, external relations. Riley is proud to have grown outreach efforts to alumni (and seen the resulting upward trend in annual giving support for Morris) and to have overseen “the work of an extremely talented staff.” She will miss “the energy and enthusiasm of an engaged and exciting campus community” but “hopes now to never miss another hockey game, football game, baseball game, concert, or dance recital where her grandchildren are, of course, the stars!”

**Mick Rose**, general maintenance, fleet operations, and recycling supervisor, served the Morris campus for more than 44 years. He is proud of having developed the on-campus recycling program and having played a part in remodeling Spooner Hall during that time as well as “working with the grounds to make Morris a beautiful campus,” “getting high reviews for Grounds and Custodial in the last reviews,” “and

watching all the changes that have happened in 68 years” (Rose lived on campus from 1948 until 1972). He retired in September and misses “the people who work at Morris,” but is “keeping busy” and looks forward to traveling.

**Ronald Rosen**, senior electronic technician, has served the Morris campus for more than 40 years. One of his many accomplishments was the installation of the HD television studio in Humanities Fine Arts. Rosen writes that “it was always fun to help students with their projects.” He looks forward to spending his retirement traveling and fishing.

**Elizabeth Spohr**, theatre costumer/publicist, enjoyed 15 years in the Theatre Arts Discipline. Spohr says she was fortunate to have the job she did, as “there were so many opportunities to work with and be part of very creative projects and teams,” and “no two days were alike.” She is proud of all that she learned from the staff and students with whom she worked as well as “the mistakes she made.” Spohr will miss and fondly remember “the students who made going to work worthwhile and interesting.” She retired in October and now is “never very far from her grandchildren or sewing machine”; her plan for retirement is “not to have to stick to a plan.”

**Robert Thompson**, facilities management project manager, has enjoyed a career of more than 43 years. In that time he has been involved in many projects. Thompson says he will miss co-workers in Facilities Management and day-to-day interactions with staff, faculty, and students. “I realize how lucky I was to work with such talented and dedicated people,” he writes, and his “fondest memories will be of our beautiful campus and all the wonderful people there.” Thompson plans to attend as many school and athletic activities for his six grandchildren as possible, and he and his wife look forward to travel: “Norway is at the top of the bucket list.”

# YEARS OF SERVICE AT MORRIS

45–49 YEARS Roland Guyotte	Debra Mahoney Irene Maloney Gordon McIntosh Nicholas McPhee Kristi Miller Michael Ray Miller Gwen Rudney Janet Sauter Kim Schultz Engin Sungur Mark Van Overbeke Lee Varpness Sandra Zeltwanger Mary Zosel	Raymond Bowman Siobhan Bremer Sarah Buchanan Laura Burks Stephen Burks Julia Dabbs Bradley Deane Janet Ericksen Wendy Evink Becca Gercken Bradley Gibson Jennifer Goodnough Stephen Gross Paul Grove Phillip Hengemuhle Judy Henrichs Bryan Herrmann Jennifer Zych Herrmann Garrett Hoyer Jan Jallo Arne Kildegaard Jeremiah Kill Julie Kill Sandra Kill Jong-Min Kim Jana Koehler Janell Kolden Lori Kurpiers Mark Logan Ann Kolden Barry McQuarrie Joan Michaelson Paul Myers Theresa Otten Michelle Page Heather Pennie-Roy David Roberts Ray Schultz Matt Senger Sharon Severance Michael Shuckhart Jodi Sperr Dennis Stewart Michael White Sheila Windingstad James Wojtaszek Peter Wyckoff Timna Wyckoff	Sheri Breen Peter Bremer Joshua Bretz Mark Collier Jerome Danelke Rebecca Dean Jennifer Deane Julie Eckerle David Ericksen Troy Goodnough Timothy Grove Grant Harding Lisa Harris Diane Hopkins Whelan David Israels-Swenson Matthew Johnson Bridget Joos Athena Kildegaard Roxanne Klemetson Renee Kloos Christine Kolaya Michael Kopel Sandy Kopel Michael Lackey Kristin Lamberty Adele Lawler Elena Machkasova Daniel Magner Brook Miller David Molesworth Troy Ostby Ted Pappenfus Nancy Pederson Carla Riley Windy Roberts Jean Rohloff T.J. Ross Jennifer Rothchild Marlene Schoeneck James Schryver Kristina Smith David Spellman Lisandra Sperr Mark Staebler Heather Peters Cheryl Stewart Tisha Turk D. Scott Turnbull Melissa Vangsness David Varnum
40–44 YEARS Gary Donovan Bonnie Gulbrandson Nancy Helsper		20–24 YEARS Jon Anderson Tracey Anderson Jill Beauregard Keith Brugger Barbara Burke Michael Cihak James Hauglund Terri Hawkinson Annette Helder Deborah Henrichs Jodi Holleman Mark Johnson Seung-Ho Joo Ann Kolden Judy Korn Jessica Larson Sarah Mattson David Mayo Leslie Meek Wendy Melberg Todd Moser Peh Ng Darla Peterson Timothy Poore Jenny Quam Robert Ritzschke Laura Thielke Rebecca Webb Ann Williams	
35–39 YEARS Gail Boe Brenda Boever Pamela Gades Carrie Grussing Marie Hagen Jane Kill Mark McCabe Dale Michealson Delores Rathke		15–19 YEARS Joseph Alia Alisande Allaben Angela Anderson Thomas Anderson Sharon Bentzin Tammy Berberi Viktor Berberi Cyrus Bina	
30–34 YEARS Mary Elizabeth Bezanson James Cotter William Eiler Karen Ellis Kevin Flicker Pieranna Garavaso Solomon Gashaw Jayne Hacker Patricia Hein Julie Hesse Thomas Johnson Michael Korth Lyle Lundebrek Robert Mahoney Jackie Nohl Sandra Olson-Loy Daniel Payne Cindy Poppe Jeri Squier Kay Storck		10–14 YEARS Jonathan Anderson Scott Bennett Leo Berlinger Tammy Blake Sylke Boyd	
25–29 YEARS Stacey Aronson Rita Bolluyt Nancy Carpenter LeAnn Dean Bart Finzel Carol Ford Farah Gilanshah Marilyn Gremmels Lynn Halbakken Diana Hoffman Diane Kill Margaret Kuchenreuther Jennifer Lund			